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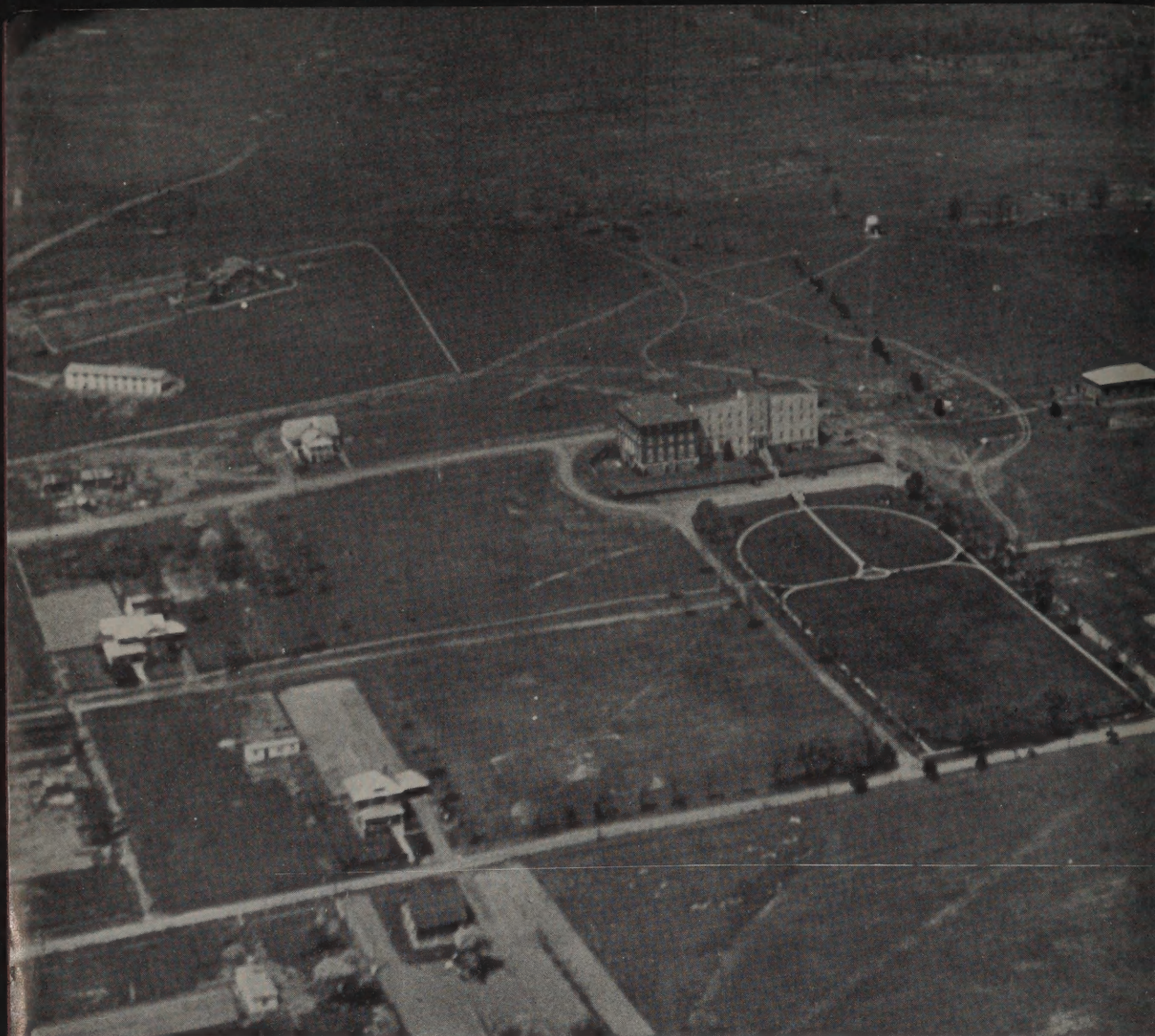
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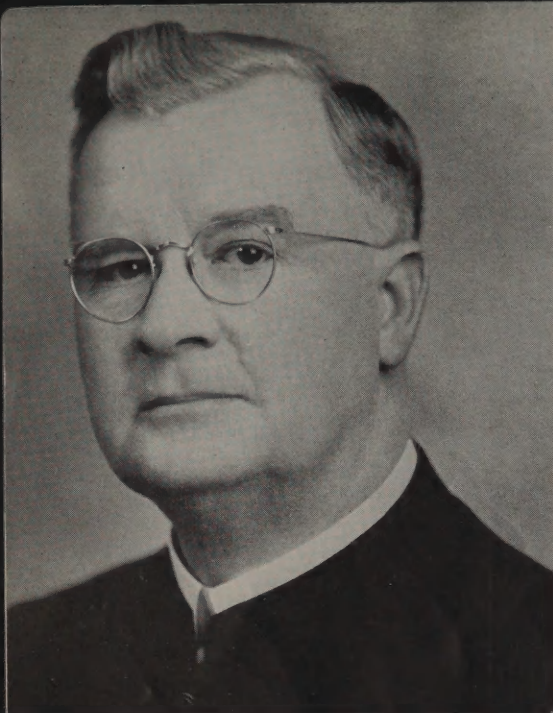
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To the consecrated stewards of
God's bounty who, for the Youth
and the Church, have generously
made possible the North Annex to
the Administration Building for
the expansion of school facilities,
we respectfully dedicate this
number of the Journal.



ADMINISTRATION



John L. Stauffer—President and Bible teacher, carries his responsibilities with a consciousness that he is the steward of a great work. Teachers and students alike feel they have in him one concerned first of all for their highest spiritual attainments. All other things must serve the highest purpose.

The President's Message



TO THE CLASSES OF 1941: I wish to congratulate you upon the completion of your tasks. Eastern Mennonite School endeavors to supply a distinctly Christian training to her students and every graduate should therefore have a well-equipped mind and a settled Christian faith with which to face the world.

The Christian can bless the world through a genuine Christian experience only. Such an experience is rooted in the reality of the new birth. The new birth is the impartation of the divine nature to men after which a Christian remains a man of two natures. We are responsible to crucify the old and live after the new.

A Christian needs an intimate acquaintance with the Holy Spirit. Too many people think of the Holy Spirit as an influence rather than as a person. Many Christians would live more triumphantly if they kept in mind the fact that the Spirit's work is to guide into truth, that He illuminates Scripture and that He shares all the divine attributes with the other members of the Godhead. Let us honor the Spirit, who is the Comforter in Christ's stead to direct us over an unknown course and to lead us safely amidst dangers of every kind.

A Christian needs much experience with God in prayer. The prayer-closet is one of the greatest battlefields in the world. There, victories are won that are not found in the headlines of the newspapers; but they are greater than those that tell of gigantic loss of life and destruction of property. The Christian needs to know by experience that God hears and answers prayer.

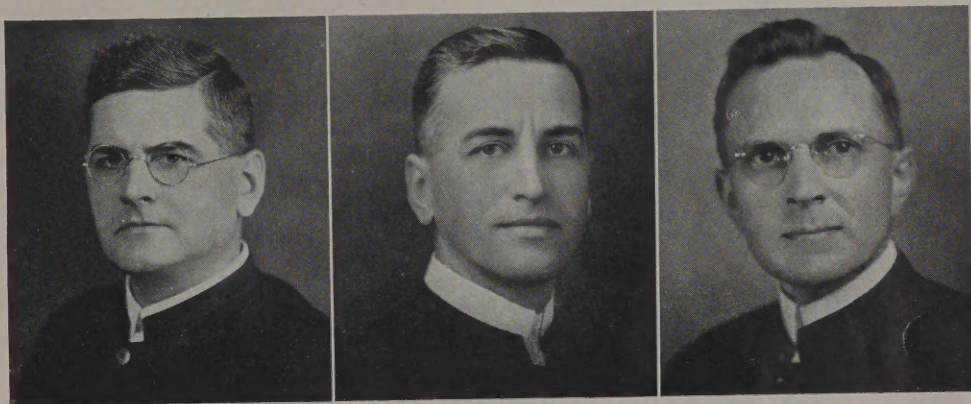
A Christian needs unwavering loyalty to God's Word. The Word has been the consolation and guide in crises of human experience in the past; it is still a safe guide to lead us in the future. The foundations of society are giving way, moral standards are in confusion, religious persuasions are built up apart from the Word of God. There is a growing conviction that a collapse is certain for the future. Only the Christian who believes in a revelation from God and has had a

supernatural experience within his own soul will see any way out of world confusion or have any hope of the future.

Eastern Mennonite School is counting upon every graduate to find for himself and others the way out of present world perplexity and to maintain his hope for the future through the spiritual experience and possibilities enumerated.

—John L. Stauffer.

Chester K. Lehman—Dean and Registrar, is an efficient administrator and thorough scholar. His profound lectures in theology are punctuated by the look of a piercing eye and an ever-present humor. Both as writer and ardent minister of the Gospel he is discovered a man of deep convictions, Spirit-filled, and unmoved in faith.



Daniel W. Lehman—Acting Dean and Registrar, Instructor in Education and Psychology, is a keen student of human nature and very much interested in the spiritual, mental, and physical development of our young people. His scholarship, cheerful disposition, musical abilities, and wholesome counsel contribute much to the life of E. M. S.

D. Ralph Hostetter—The Director of High School, is a lover of nature, an authority on birds, a cheerful personality, an efficient supervisor, a chemist and biologist, a trainer of youth, an interested scholar, and a mission superintendent,—this is Bro. Hostetter.

Menno J. Brunk

New Testament Greek, Bible

Harry A. Brunk

History, Social Science

Ernest G. Gehman

German, English



John R. Mumaw

English, Bible

Dorothy Catherine Kemrer

Latin, Elementary Greek, Typing

G. Irvin Lehman

Bible, History



Ada Martin Zimmerman
Dean of Women

Maurice T. Brackbill
Mathematics, Physics, Astronomy,
Speech Arts

Ruth Mininger (Mrs.) Brackbill
English

Sadie A. Hartzler
English, Library

J. Mark Stauffer
Music, Laboratory Assistant, Di-
rector of Mixed Chorus

Ava Mae Rohrer
Art, Home Economics, Penman-
ship, Physical Education



Moses Slabaugh
Bible

Melvin L. Ruth
Bible, Director of the Bible Correspondence School

Henry D. Weaver
Business Manager

Elizabeth S. Erb
School Nurse

Homer A. Mumaw
Industrial Arts, Mathematics,
Science

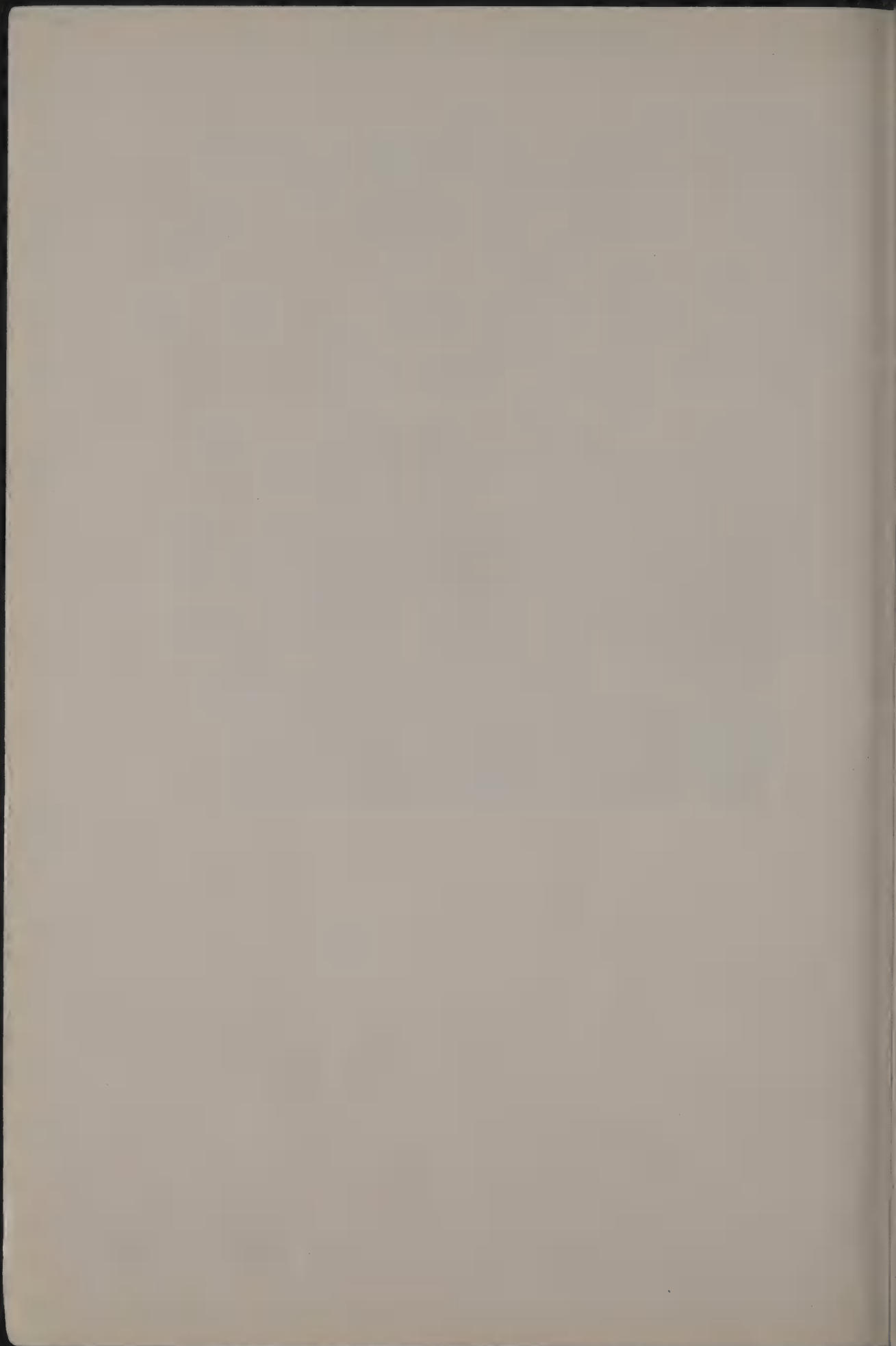
Elsie A. Martin
Supervisor in Training School



OFFICIEUX

FRONT ROW: (left to right) Betty Mosemann, office assistant; Iona Miller, office clerk; Mary Suter, cook; Nannie Showalter, cook.

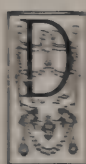
BACK ROW: Sara Jane Weaver, Library assistant; Irvin Horst, Library assistant; Mahlon Hess, assistant Hall Manager; Oliver Wenger, janitor; Mrs. Oliver Wenger, assistant cook.







Class Adviser's Message



DEAR CLASS OF 1941: The many happy associations of the past two years are rapidly coming to a close. Your presence in this institution has meant much to us. We have been inspired by your enthusiasm, encouraged by your willingness, challenged by your faithfulness, and stimulated to better scholarship by your sincere questions. The memory of the hours spent together in class room discussions and in class fellowship shall always be highly treasured.

As college students you have worked faithfully, you have been receptive to our teaching, you have grown intellectually and spiritually, you have proved to us that you are prepared for the difficult situations of active life. Your Alma Mater has a right to expect of you, as college graduates, a life that is consistent with the teachings and convictions you have received. These should guide you in your selection of a vocation, your choice of a life companion, and your decisions relative to Christian service.

Both the world and the church are depending upon you, as Christians. The world is in turmoil. Nations are at war, industrial and labor organizations are threatening each other, the churches are being rent by various schisms, and people in general are living in fear and uncertainty. These are the fruits of forgetting God. The world is looking for a ray of light, hope, and encouragement. Can we offer them the message of Christ? Can the world see Christ in our life, our deeds, our testimonies, our vocational and recreational activities, and in our willingness to serve? Can the world see that we are living for others rather than for ourselves? Our manner of living is the loudest sermon that many of us can preach.

The church needs trained young people, not to direct her activities into new paths, not to usurp authority and dictate new church policies, but to live a life that is consistent with the Gospel of Christ, and loyally to support our faithful leaders who are endeavoring to save and preserve the Mennonite faith. Herein lies a challenge to all of us. I know you will accept it.

The world is looking for truth. The Word of God is Truth. The world is in bondage and sin and is looking for freedom. The Truth shall make you free. You have met the challenge in the selection of your class motto, "Valiant for the Truth." You go forth not alone. God is with every individual who enrolls under this standard. Vigilance, earnestness, godly fear, and consecration are all implied in the first word of our motto. We have no fear for your life, nor do we hesitate to assure you that God will richly bless your life, so long as you live your motto.

We bid you farewell. May God's richest blessing attend you as you go forth "Valiant for the Truth."

—D. Ralph Hostetter.

Evelyn Juanita Brunk

Junior College I, II

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

"Deep broods not running over with glee (and tears)."

High School E. M. S., 1939; Smithsonian I, II; Mixed Chorus I, II; Ladies' Chorus I.



James Daniel Eshleman

Education I, II

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

"The expectations of life depend upon diligence."

Washington High School, Massillon, Ohio, 1936; Smithsonian: Avian I, II.



Dorothy Mae Geil

Junior College I, II

GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

"Modesty seldom resides in a breast that is not enriched with nobler virtues."

Lyman High School, 1939; Smithsonian: Avian I, II.



Virginia Elizabeth Grove

Junior College I, II

DALE ENTERPRISE, VIRGINIA

"Ay, every inch a queen!"

High School E. M. S., 1939; Smithsonian: Mixed Chorus I, II; Weather Vane Artist; Senior Journal Artist; Class Treasurer.



Harry William Hertzler

Junior College Bible I, II

DENBIGH, VIRGINIA

"Cultivate not only the cornfields of your mind, but the pleasure-grounds also."

Morrison High School, 1934; Smithsonian: Avian I, II; Scribner I, II; Mixed Chorus I, II; Y. P. C. A. Cabinet II; Athletic Officer; Senior Journal Staff, Associate Editor; Journal Staff I, II; Weather Vane Editor I, II.



Mahlon Murry Hess

College Bible I, II, III, IV

WASHINGTON BORO, PENNSYLVANIA

*"Of right and wrong he taught
Truths as refined as ever Athens heard;
And he practised what he preached."*

Manor Township High School, 1935; Smithsonian: Avian III, IV; Astral I, II; Men's Chorus II, III; Y. P. C. A. President II, III; Y. P. C. A. Cabinet IV; Class President III; Vice-President IV; Journal Staff II.





Irvin Buckwalter Horst

College Bible I, II, III, IV

REINHOLDS, PENNSYLVANIA

*"Except a living man,
There is nothing more wonderful than a book."*

Junior College Bible, 1939; Smithsonian; Astral I, II; Avian III; Scriblerus III, IV; Mixed Chorus II, III; Men's Chorus II, III; Y. P. C. A. Cabinet II, III; Y. P. C. A. President IV; Journal Editor II, III; Senior Journal Editor II, IV; Class President II.



Henry Martin Hurst

Junior College Bible I, II

PRESTON, ONTARIO

*"Zealous yet modest, patient of toil,
Inflexible in faith, and gentle to all."*

Smithsonian; Avian II; Astral I, II; Y. P. C. A. Cabinet I, II.



Paul Henry Martin

Junior College I, II

CHAMBERSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

"Panting time toils after him in vain."

High School E. M. S., 1939; Smithsonian; Avian I, II; Avian Vice-President II; Mixed Chorus I, II; Men's Chorus I; Y. P. C. A. Treasurer I; Y. P. C. A. Cabinet II; Athletic Association President II; Senior Journal Staff; Journal Staff II; Weather Vane Staff I.



Earl Marion Maust

Education I, II

BAY PORT, MICHIGAN

*"Your own sky will lighten, if other skies you brighten
By just being happy with a heart full of song."*

High School E. M. S., 1939; Smithsonian; Avian I, II; Mixed Chorus I, II; Assistant Director of Mixed Chorus II; Men's Chorus I.



George Truman Miller

College Bible I, II, III, IV

HUDSON, OHIO

*"That tower of strength
Which stood foursquare to all the winds that blew."*

Streetsboro High School, 1934; Advanced Bible, 1936; Smithsonian; Avian III, IV; Astral II, III, IV; Webster II; Y. P. C. A. Cabinet III, IV.



Virginia Blanche Moyers

Junior College I, II

BROADWAY, VIRGINIA

*"Do I view the world as a vale of tears?
Ah, reverend sir, not I!"*

Broadway High School, 1939; Smithsonian; Avian I, II; Mixed Chorus I, II; Ladies' Chorus I.

Doris Alderfer Sell

Education I, II

SOUDERTON, PENNSYLVANIA

*"To keep my health; to do my work; to live;
To see to it I grow and gain and give."*

Souderton High School, 1938; Smithsonian; Avian II; Mixed Chorus I, II; Associate Editor Weather Vane II; Scriblerus II; Class Secretary; Journal Staff II.



Chester Ray Shank

Junior College I, II

CHAMBERSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

*"Reading maketh a full man . . .
Mathematics make men subtil."*

High School E. M. S., 1938; Smithsonian I, II; Y. P. C. A. Cabinet II; Avian, Treasurer and Business Manager II.



James Martin Shank

Education I, II

CHAMBERSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

*"How good is man's life, the mere living! how fit to employ all
the heart and the soul and the senses forever in joy!"*

High School E. M. S., 1937; Smithsonian; Avian I, II; Mixed Chorus I, II; Men's Chorus I; Y. P. C. A. Cabinet I, II; Y. P. C. A. Treasurer II; Class Business Manager; Senior Journal Staff.



Naomi Elizabeth Shank

Junior College Bible I, II

READING, PENNSYLVANIA

*"A sympathetic and understanding nature is a treasure that wins
many friends."*

High School E. M. S., 1930; Smithsonian; Avian II.



Edith Lydia Showalter

Junior College Bible I, II

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

"Like a star, thou didst travel on life's way in cheerful godliness."

High School E. M. S., 1937; Smithsonian; Astral I, II; Mixed Chorus I, II; Scriblerus I, II; Associate Journal Editor I; Senior Journal Staff.



Winston Odell Weaver

Junior College I, II

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

*"He gains all points who pleasingly confounds,
Surprises, varies, and conceals the bounds."*

High School E. M. S., 1939; Smithsonian; Avian I, II.





Chester Lehman Wenger

College Bible I, II, IV

FENTRESS, VIRGINIA

*"The man who faces what he must
With step triumphant and a heart of cheer."*

High School E. M. S., 1934; Junior College E. M. S., 1936; Bridge-
water College, 1939; Smithsonian; Mixed Chorus I, IV; Men's
Chorus I; Webster Society II; Y. P. C. A. Cabinet I, II, IV;
Avian I, IV; Astralite II; Class President IV.



Edna Elizabeth Wenger

Junior College Bible I, II

LEOLA, PENNSYLVANIA

*"Richer in all strength and sweetness
Grows the striving soul."*

Upper Leacock High School, 1934; Smithsonian; Avian I, II;
Scriblerus II; Mixed Chorus I, II; Y. P. C. A. Cabinet II;
Associate Journal Editor II; Avian Secretary I.



Martha Huber Wikerd

College Bible III, IV

LITITZ, PENNSYLVANIA

"Be happy, but be happy through piety."

Rothsville High School, 1930; Millersville State Teachers' College,
1932; Smithsonian; Avian IV; Astral III, IV; Mixed Chorus
III.



Elma Hershberger

Junior College Bible

MUSOMA, T. T., BRITISH EAST AFRICA

*"Put any burden upon me, only sustain me.
Send me anywhere, only go with me.
Sever any tie but the one that binds me
To Thy service and to Thy heart."*

E. M. S. High School '25; State Teachers' College, Harrisonburg,
Virginia; St. Joseph's Hospital, Lancaster, Pennsylvania '33.

A Prayer upon Graduation

(Apologies to Kipling)

God of our youth, Lord of might—
Thou, by whose grace our fathers reared
A standard boldly for Truth and Right,
When error flaunted with fire and sword.—
Grant us to stand in the ardor of youth,
Faithfully—Valiant for the Truth!

Forsooth, the world forgets its woe,
And scorns the creed of peace and love,
To quell the hate of tyrant and foe,
Knows only the war-visaged scowl of Jove.
Grant us to stand in the strength of youth,
Fearlessly—Valiant for the Truth!

We hear the call of mart and booth;
From farm and school the luring strain
Intrigues the strength and zest of youth.
But sin-bound souls and Calvary constrain!—
Grant us to enlist our talents of youth,
Zealously—Valiant for the Truth!

Lord, if in battle for Truth and Right,
The foe o'erwhelms with blinding fraud,
Though our comrades tremble, yield in fright,
We'll trust in the power and truth of Thy Word;
We'll dare to rally in the faith of our youth,
Victoriously—Valiant for the Truth!

—Irvin Horst.

President's Address



IN THE WORLD about us hatred and bloodshed abound. Our whole nation is stretching every muscle to make instruments of war. Every nation seems threatened both from without and within. Men are filled with despair. What a contrast is this scene of happy faces, radiant with inward joys and peace, trusting in the King Eternal! Here Christian love binds us one to the other as filial love does the home. For the sake of the occasion let us think of this group as one large, happy family. Already we are members of an earthly family and I trust the family of God, but within this new family each also has a place. Some are fathers. Some are mothers. Some are children. And at present E. M. S. is the home we claim.

Fathers are those of you who have provided the means for erecting this home and through days and years of toil have met expenses as they arose. We may think of the Board of Trustees as the father of this institution, but they only represent the much larger group of you who have given liberally to make this school possible, and the still larger group who are supporting with your interest and prayers. All such are fathers to this home and family.

The term "alma mater" means, "fostering mother." Such a mother, E. M. S., you have been to us, showing kindness and thoughtfulness in a thousand ways. In the routine duties of supplying delicious meals and washing the weekly laundry you have been faithful. In providing for our spiritual life you have been scrupulously careful. Time would fail to tell of the many prayer groups, devotions, Bible meetings, and evangelistic services. For mental, social, and physical development you have made the lessons hard, the socials uplifting, and the exercise invigorating. We can never thank you enough, O Alma Mater, for the good things you have done in caring for us as children. You, especially, the faculty, have been as a mother, self-sacrificing and loyal.

Yes, there are children in the family and many of them! Students and alumni, you are the sons and daughters. Some of you have come home for reunion. Others are preparing to take leave and still others have yet a number of years to labor with patience. Let us not forget that this our foster home is far more than a temporary place of abode. It is a training camp of the Church of Christ. It serves as do the training camps of the nation to prepare youths for active warfare. Theirs is a drilling for carnal warfare, but ours, a preparation for spiritual warfare. Many in the warfare now could gladly testify to the value of the years spent in training under this roof.

Fellow classmates, tonight, we represent the son who is about to leave his training camp and plunge into a great war. Our friends have come to celebrate the farewell with us. The battle has long been raging for truth and righteousness. Already we have had a few engagements with the enemy, but the time has arrived for a challenging conflict. As we depart for the battle-front can you not see the anxious faces of father and mother where they stand in the doorway at home? Is that not the position of the Board and Faculty of Eastern Mennonite School? Sad news it would be to them and all our dear friends for any to desert to the foe. Worse news it would be for one to become a traitor. O God, forbid that any in this class of '41 should suffer defeat from the enemy of our souls. Grant to each of us always a real victory in the battle for Truth. "Thy Word is Truth."

—Chester L. Wenger.



COLLEGE JUNIORS

FRONT ROW: (left to right) S. J. Weaver, M. Moyer, Elsie Lehman, D. Showalter, N. Loux, B. Weber, J. R. Mumaw (Class Adviser).

SECOND ROW: L. Hartzler, M. Martin, P. Cline, Esther Lehman, L. Kauffman, R. Byler, R. Goldfus.

THIRD ROW: R. Weaver, M. Frey, M. Horst, D. Slabaugh, R. Harnish, C. King, R. Eberly, W. Martin.

COLLEGE BIBLE STUDENTS

L. Shank, S. Shenk, M. Keener, R. Baer, I. Rohrer.

Class Reminiscences



THE COLLEGE SENIOR CLASS OF 1941 is the first college class to graduate from E. M. S. apart from the High School Senior Class. With an organization all its own it has been able to foster a distinct college spirit and engage in distinct college activities. There are other distinctive features of the Class of 1941. Almost half of the class are Bible students. Five are graduating from College Bible and five are graduating from Junior College Bible. Martha Wikerd has the distinction of being the first alumna of E. M. S. to receive the Th. B. degree.

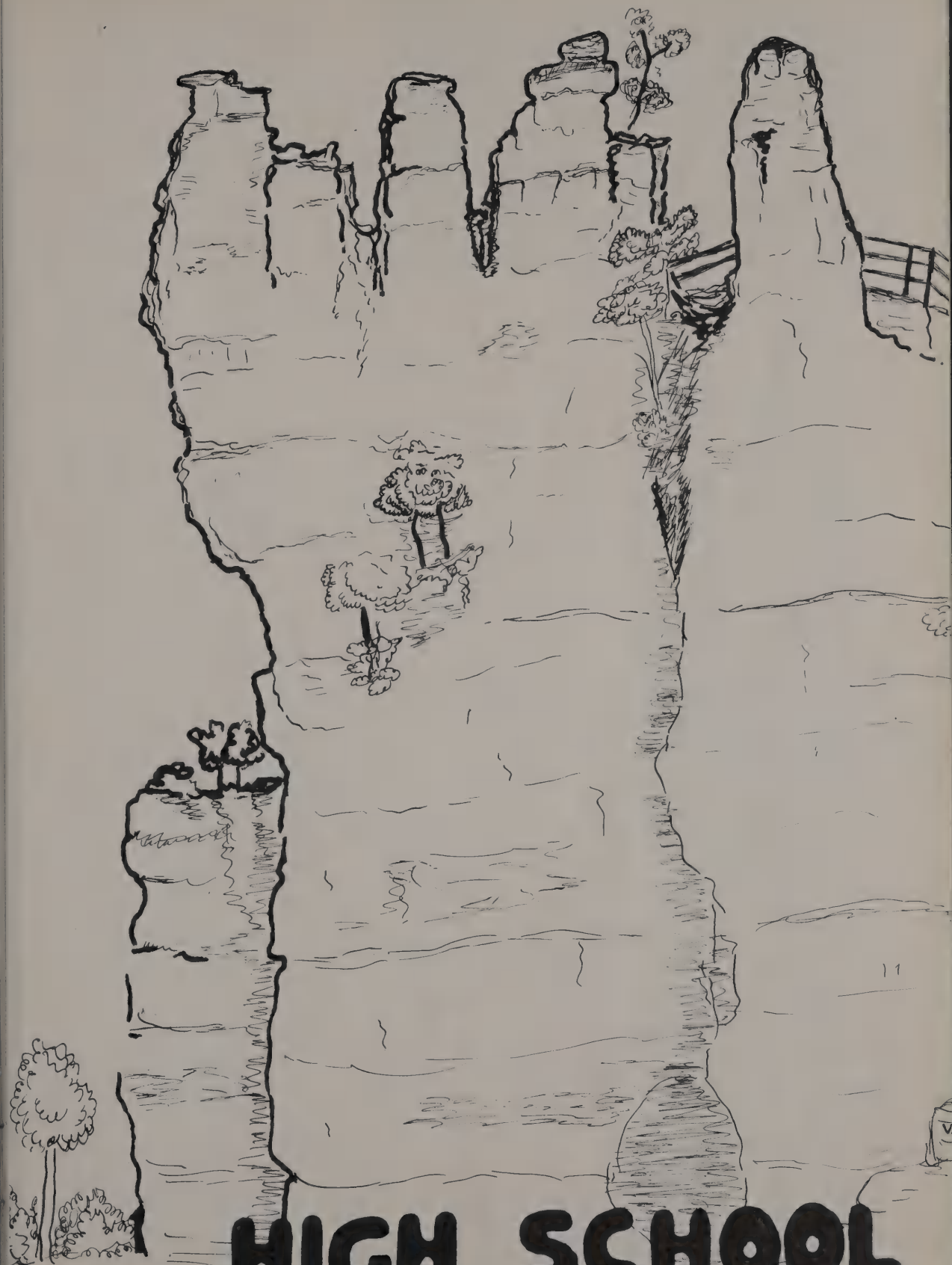
During the junior year the Class, numbering thirty-three, chose Bro. D. Ralph Hostetter for their Class Adviser. Bro. Hostetter's interest and counsel in class work together with his native friendliness have made our class activities more worthwhile. Several ever-to-be-remembered incidents made our junior year interesting. One of the best was an invitation to Bro. Hostetter's home. Bro. Hostetter puzzled us with quizzes on science and quizzed us with puzzles on the Bible. Refreshments and music brought the interesting evening to a close. The occasion on which we entertained the Seniors at the annual Junior-Senior Outing must be mentioned. The day and place seemed to have been made for the occasion. Beside the green, slow Shenandoah River, at "Shenandoah Retreat" we entertained the Seniors with boating, soft-ball, quoits, and other games. They never dreamed of boating,—but the Seniors had to have the best. Next we gave them prophecies and some singing and finally a lunch a la mode. But our most serious reflections go back to the prayer circle, conducted under the starry sky in the heat and light of an open camp-fire. Later our Junior Class Social developed a greater Class spirit and it was here that many of us really learned to know each other. At Commencement time we saw the Seniors graduate, in fact, we helped them to graduate, by selling their Journals and ushering their friends into the Chapel. It was an impressive occasion and we eagerly looked forward to the time when we would graduate.

The summer's respite prepared us for the last great thrust of our abilities into the duties required to finish the race set before us and to gain the treasured prize—a diploma! We numbered twenty-one strong. Chester Wenger joined our ranks to complete the requirements necessary for the Th. B. degree. Chester was elected Class President. The other officers were as follows: Vice-President, Mahlon Hess; Secretary, Doris Sell; Treasurer, Virginia Grove; Business Manager, James Shank.

Our Class Adviser entertained us in his usual hospitable manner one evening in November. We will never forget that evening, especially the home-made museum and the avocados. We were reluctant to say good-by that evening. The Senior Class Social was held on a wintry night in March when there was about one foot of snow on the ground. Because of the snow we had the social at Winston Weaver's home in Harrisonburg. Again we felt the drawing of group consciousness and the unity of the class was assured. With such undergirdings the Senior Class accomplished its goal. We very vividly remember the Outing provided for us by the Junior Class. It was very unusual for the group to be composed of college students entirely. The recreation, the refreshments, and last of all—the prayer circle made us feel very happy.

The time is here to say farewell to all that has become precious to us at E. M. S. Adieu, Classmates! May we ever serve faithfully under our banner "Valiant for the Truth."

—George T. Miller.



HIGH SCHOOL



Class Adviser's Message



EAR SENIORS OF 1941: During these days there are hundreds of thousands of other young people doing just what you are doing—graduating. For the great majority of them graduation is almost a leap into the dark, because their modern schooling results in a Bible black-out that in its turn produces the present tragic black-outs in the cities and the hearts of men.

But, beloved, I am persuaded better things of you. You all have, I know, a firm faith in the word of God whose principles are a lamp to your feet and whose prophecies are a light that shines in this dark place. And you all have, I hope, the personal witness of the Spirit and the light of Christ within, so that you need not fear what outward gloom and blackness the days to come may bring, knowing that they will also bring Him—to pierce and dispel the darkness of earth and to replace it with the glorious brilliance and splendor of His kingdom.

Just as you met certain essential conditions to gain these blessings of faith and fellowship, so you must meet certain equally essential conditions to keep yourselves in the love of God. Christ is the author of eternal salvation to all those that obey Him, hence there must be in you a patient continuance in well-doing to obtain eternal life. You must work out your own salvation. You must labor for the meat which endureth unto everlasting life. You must save yourselves from this untoward generation. And you must beware lest you also, being led away by the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness. But grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Thus, through observing these Bible injunctions, will your excellent motto "For Thy Use, O Lord" be true of you, both in the life that now is and in that which is to come. May not one of you come short of it, I pray.

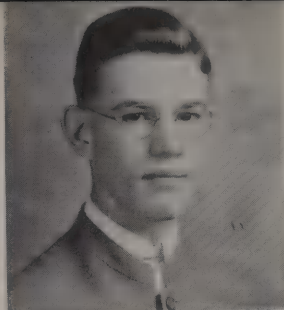
—Ernest G. Gehman.

Robert Alger

BROADWAY, VIRGINIA

*"Be strong!
We are not here to play, to dream, to drift;
We have hard work to do, and loads to lift."*

Philomathean III, IV.

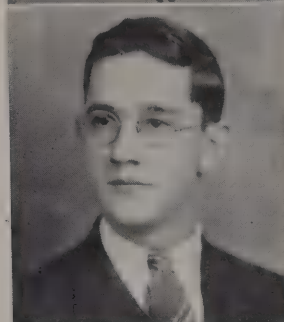


Charles Kenneth Blauch

PINTO, MARYLAND

*"Happy am I; from care I'm free!
Why aren't they all contented like me?"*

Armerian IV.



Lola Derstine Bowers

SOUDERTON, PENNSYLVANIA

"Laughing cheerfulness throws sunlight on all the paths of life."
Philomathean I, II; Nature I; Avian II.



Gertrude Alma Brackbill

MALVERN, PENNSYLVANIA

"She has a lively, good-humored, playful disposition and an excellent heart."

Nature III; Adelpian I, II; Armerian III, IV; Avian IV; Mixed Chorus II; Ladies' Chorus III; Secretary Athletic Association IV; Journal Staff.

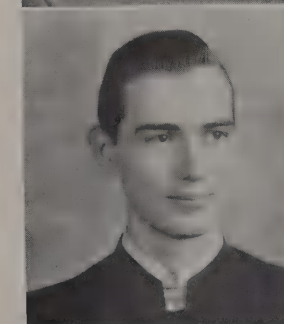


Mark William Bumbaugh

CHAMBERSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

*"I'll let my heart be just in sight.
A smile so small as mine might be
Precisely their necessity."*

Philomathean IV; Avian IV.



Lester Rittenhouse Clemmer

LANSDALE, PENNSYLVANIA

*"What we call luck
Is simply pluck."*

Nature III; Avian IV; Mixed Chorus IV; Philomathean III, IV.



High School III, IV

High School IV

High School Bible I, II

High School I, II, III, IV

High School IV

High School III, IV



Esther Louise Davis

High School III, IV

WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA

*"Her smile, her speech, with winning sway,
Whiled all our petty cares away."*

Philomathean; Nature III; Avian IV.



Anna Sensenig Erb

High School IV

PALMYRA, PENNSYLVANIA

*"I'll tell you the loveliest game in the world—
Do something for somebody, quick!"*

Armerian; Astral IV; Mixed Chorus IV.



Clara Etta Eshleman

High School II, III, IV

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

*"Life has loveliness to sell
All beautiful and splendid things."*

Adelphian II; Philomathean III, IV; Nature III; Avian IV;
Senior Journal Staff.



Rohrer Eshleman

High School Bible I, II

VINTAGE, PENNSYLVANIA

"A man, a friend, a gentleman."

Philomathean I, II; Nature I; Avian II; Class Vice-President I,
II; Vice-President of Athletic Association II.



John Lewis Fretz

High School IV

KITCHENER, ONTARIO

*"Unselfish and noble actions are the most radiant pages in the
biography of a soul."*

Smithsonian I; Avian IV; Senior Journal Staff.



Helen Frey

High School Bible I, II

CHAMBERSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

*"The secret of success is constancy in doing the divine will of
the Lord."*

Avian II; Armerian II.

Ethel Virginia Geil

BROADWAY, VIRGINIA

"The impromptu reply is precisely the touchstone of the man (or woman) of wit."

Adelphian II; Philomathean III, IV; Ladies' Chorus III; Senior Journal Staff.



Mina Naomi Glick

BELLEVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA

*"All her life is lit with radiance new—
The happy service of a yielded heart."*

Astral II; Philomathean II.



Martha Grove

HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND

"A lively good-humored disposition and an excellent heart."

Armerian II; Astral II.



Walter Derstine Hackman

SOUDERTON, PENNSYLVANIA

"Let me today do something that shall take a little sadness from the world's vast store."

Philomathean IV; Avian IV.



Geraldine Ann Hartman

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

"Lips that laugh; but most of all a heart that loves and understands."

Mixed Chorus II, IV; Nature Society III; Avian IV; Ladies' Chorus III, Adelphian I, II; Philomathean III, IV.



Norman Rittenhouse Heebner

LANSDALE, PENNSYLVANIA

"He always wins who sides with God."

Philomathean III, IV; Nature III; Avian IV.





Ruth Elizabeth Hess

High School Bible I, II

LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA

"The errands which my hands may take I do them gladly for Thy sake."

Y. P. C. A. Secretary II; Avian Secretary II; Class Secretary I, II; Mixed Chorus I, II; Philomathean I, II; Nature I.



Sara Burkholder Hess

High School III, IV

AKRON, PENNSYLVANIA

"Ah, why should life all labour be?"

Nature III; Avian IV; Armerian III, IV.



Mildred Arlene Hildebrand

High School IV

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

"Let me have music and I seek no more delight."

Philomathean IV.



Edith Mae Hoover

High School IV

GOSHEN, INDIANA

*"Not too sober, not too gay,
But a sincere friend in every way."*

Avian IV; Armerian IV.



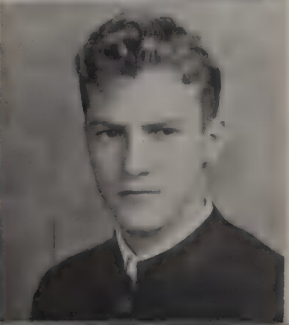
Kathryn Ellen Hostetter

High School I, II, III, IV

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

"Those about her from her shall read the perfect ways of honor."

Adelphian I, II; Philomathean III, IV; Mixed Chorus III, IV; Ladies' Chorus II, III; Nature III; Avian IV.



John Richl Kennel

High School IV

CHRISTIANA, PENNSYLVANIA

*"Great thoughts, great feelings come to him,
Like instincts, unaware."*

Armerian IV; Avian IV; Astral IV; H. S. Senior Journal Editor.

Orie Allen Kindy

High School III, IV

FREELAND, MICHIGAN

*"True worth is in being, not seeming,
In doing each day that goes by, some little good."*

Armerian III, IV; Avian IV.



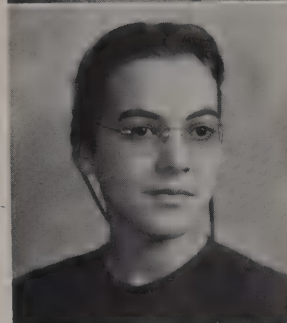
Ruth Olive Kurtz

High School I, II, III, IV

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

"Lives to read and reads to live."

Adelphian I, II; Philomathean III, IV; Mixed Chorus II, IV;
Ladies' Chorus II, III; Nature III; Avian IV.



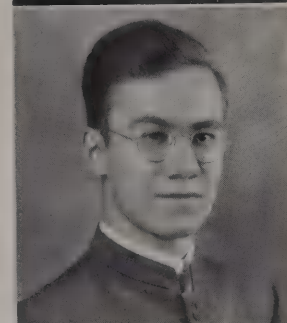
David Weidner Landis

High School III, IV

LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA

"His very foot has music in it as he comes up the stairs."

Philomathean III, IV; Class Business Manager III, IV; Mixed
Chorus III, IV; Men's Chorus III; Nature III.



Erma Moyer Landis

High School Bible I, II

TELFORD, PENNSYLVANIA

"The most precious gems come wrapped in small packages."

Philomathean I, II; Mixed Chorus I, II; Ladies' Chorus II;
Nature I; Avian II.



Milton Daniel Landis

High School I, II, III, IV

CHAMBERSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

*"I don't aim to be an 'ideal' boy, I aim to be the best type of the
'real' boy."*

Adelphian I, II; Philomathean III, IV; Men's Chorus II, III;
Mixed Chorus II, III; Nature III; Avian IV.



Ruth Virginia Layman

High School IV

DALE ENTERPRISE, VIRGINIA

*"Her voice was soft, gentle, and low—an excellent thing in
woman."*

Philomathean IV; Mixed Chorus IV.





Herbert Kling Leaman

High School II, III, IV

YORK, PENNSYLVANIA

*"Perseverance and skill,—
Courage and will."*

Adelphian II; Armerian III, IV; Nature III; Avian IV; Mixed
Chorus IV.



Kathryn Ruth Leatherman

High School Bible I, II

LINE LEXINGTON, PENNSYLVANIA

*"No padlocks, bolts, or bars can secure a maiden so well as her
own reserve."*

Philomathean I, II; Nature I; Avian II; Mixed Chorus I, II.



Araminta Lois Lehman

High School Bible I, II

LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA

"O, give us the woman that sings at her work."

Journal Staff II; Avian II; Mixed Chorus I, II; Philomathean
I, II; Class Treasurer.



Maurice Ernst Lehman

High School IV

LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA

"Large is his bounty and his soul sincere."

Armerian IV; Avian IV.



Retha Lucille Lehman

High School Bible I, II

CHAMBERSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

"She has a heart of sunshine that smiles the clouds away."

Armerian I, II; Mixed Chorus I; Nature I; Avian II.



Anna Nissley Lutz

High School III, IV

MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA

*"A superior woman is modest in her speech, but exceeds in her
actions."*

Armerian III, IV; Nature III; Avian IV.

Landis Carpenter Martin

High School Bible I, II

MOUNTVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA

*"The songs ye sing and the smiles ye wear,
Are a-making the sun shine everywhere."*

Armerian; Nature I; Avian II; Class President I, II; Mixed
Chorus I, II; Men's Chorus I.



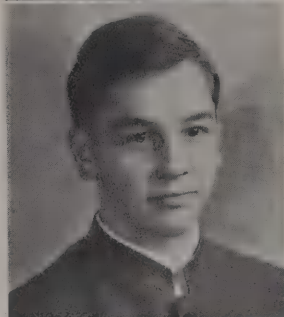
Isaac S. Mast

High School IV

PARKESBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

"Power dwells with cheerfulness."

Philomathean IV; Mixed Chorus IV; Avian IV.



Kathryn Leaman Mellinger

High School IV

STRASBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

"What sweet delight a quiet life affords."

Philomathean IV; Avian IV.



Edith Metzler

High School III, IV

ACCIDENT, MARYLAND

"Highest graces of music flow from the feelings of her heart."

Philomathean III, IV; Mixed Chorus III, IV; Nature III; Ladies'
Chorus III.



Gladys Mae Shank

High School Bible II

GREENCASTLE, PENNSYLVANIA

*"And those who heed His voice have quiet hearts that never can
despair."*

Armerian II; Avian II.



Norman Derstine Mininger

High School Bible I, II

SOUDERTON, PENNSYLVANIA

*"A deep, genuine, heart-felt sincerity is a trait of true and noble
manhood."*

Philomathean I, II; Nature I; Avian II.





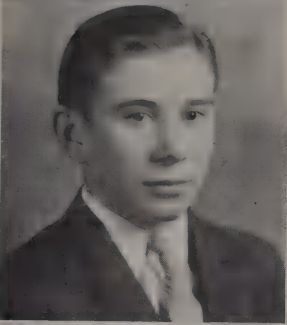
Melvin Godshalk Myers

High School Bible I, II

DOYLESTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

"Trust God, see all, nor be afraid."

Philomathean I, II; Nature I; Avian II.



William Robert Pellman

High School IV

RICHFIELD, PENNSYLVANIA

"True humor issues not in laughter, but in still smiles, which lie far deeper."

Armerian IV; Avian IV.



Fay Geraldine Plowman

High School IV

LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA

*"Her mirth the world required
She bathed it in smiles of glee."*

Philomathean IV; Avian IV.



Marie Evelyn Schulz

High School II, III, IV

VINTON, VIRGINIA

"A little bundle of cheery deeds."

Adelphian II; Philomathean III, IV; Nature III; Avian IV;
Ladies' Chorus III.



Anna Elizabeth Seitz

High School Bible I, II

SHIREMANSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

*"Let me not simply do but be content with Thine own hand to
choose for me."*

Armerian I, II; Nature I; Astral II; Mixed Chorus I; Ladies'
Chorus I.



Charles Robert Shank

High School IV

CHAMBERSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

*"A smooth and steadfast mind
Manly thoughts and calm desires."*

Avian IV; Armerian IV.

Leah Ruth Shank

CHAMBERSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

*"To him who in the love of Nature holds
Communion with her visible forms, she speaks
A various language."*

Philomathean I, II; Mixed Chorus I; Nature I; Avian II.



Amanda Kauffman Shenk

PARADISE, PENNSYLVANIA

*"Oh, for a seat in some poetic nook
Just hid with trees and sparkling with a brook."*

Philomathean I, II; Nature I; Avian II; Journal Staff II.



Elmer Mark Showalter

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

*"Keen sense and common sense,
little room for nonsense."*

Adelphian II; Philomathean III, IV; Nature III; Astral IV;
Mixed Chorus II, III, IV; Men's Chorus II.

High School II, III, IV



Norman Smith

MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA

*"Since brevity is the soul of wit,
I will be brief."*

Philomathean IV; Avian IV.

High School IV



Ruth Virginia Stauffer

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

*"Time for work—yet takes much holiday for arts and
friendship's sake."*

Associate Senior Journal Editor; Nature III; Avian IV; Philo-
mathean III, IV; Adelphian I, II; Ladies' Chorus II, III;
Mixed Chorus II, III, IV.

High School I, II, III, IV



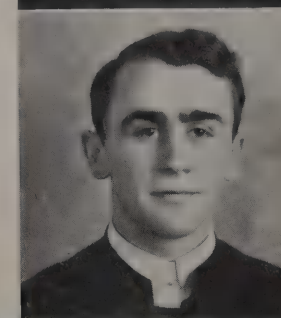
John Horst Stover

ANNVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA

*"His daily prayer, far better understood in acts
than in words, is simply doing good."*

Philomathean I, II; Nature I; Avian II.

High School Bible I, II





Wilma Doris Suter

High School I, II, III, IV

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

"She can because she believes she can."

Adelphian I, II; Philomathean III, IV; Nature III; Avian IV.



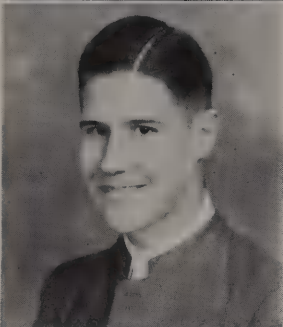
David Troyer

High School Bible I, II

DENBIGH, VIRGINIA

"Give me good and substantial religion, a humble gentle love of God and man."

Armerian I, II; Nature I; Astral II; Avian II.



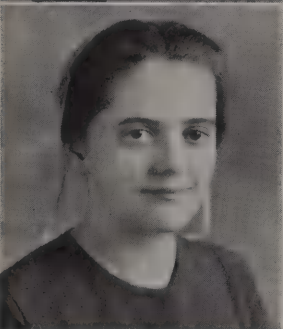
William Floyd Watkins

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HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

"In life's small things be resolute and great."

Adelphian II; Armerian IV; Mixed Chorus IV.



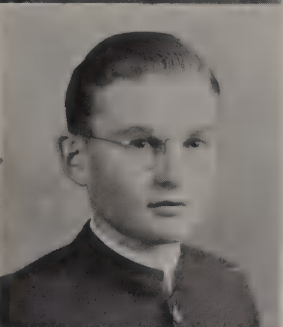
Lois Fern Weaver

High School III, IV

ANNVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA

"A kind heart is a fountain of gladness, making everything in its vicinity freshen into smiles."

Philomathean III, IV; Mixed Chorus III; Nature III; Astral IV.



Ralph Letcher Weaver

High School II, III, IV

STUARTS DRAFT, VIRGINIA

"To do him any wrong was to beget a kindness from him, for his heart was rich."

Adelphian II; Philomathean III, IV; Nature III; Avian IV;
Treasurer of Athletic Association III, IV.



Ruth Ellen Weaver

High School III, IV

ANNVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA

"Hitch your wagon to a star."

Nature Society III; Mixed Chorus III; Philomathean III, IV;
Astral Society IV.

Lillian Gertrude Wenger

WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA

"A mistress of herself, though china fall."

Armerian III, IV; Nature III; Avian IV.

High School III, IV



Lloyd Wolgemuth

MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA

"Stand up, speak out, and bravely in God's name."

Philomathean III, IV; Nature III; Avian IV.

High School III, IV



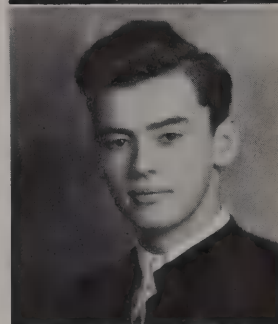
Jesse Yoder

ELVERSON, PENNSYLVANIA

"To study or not to study, that's the question."

Armerian IV; Avian IV.

High School IV



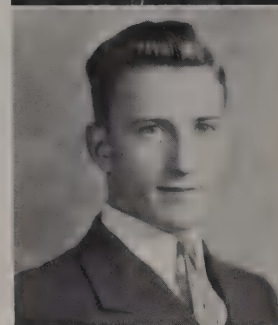
Norman Yoder

PINTO, MARYLAND

"In life as in a football game, the principle to follow is: Hit the line hard."

Armerian IV; Mixed Chorus IV; Avian IV; Senior Journal Staff.

High School IV



Esther Rush Yothers

PERKASIE, PENNSYLVANIA

*"A friend,
Happy, devoted, and helpful."*

Armerian I, II; Nature I; Avian II.

High School Bible I, II



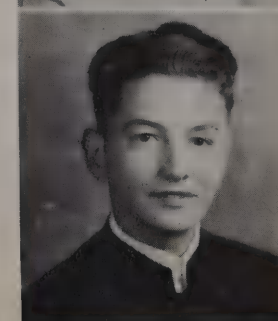
Floyd Irvin Zook

ALLENSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA

"Let the farmer forevermore be honored in his calling."

Armerian IV; Astral IV.

High School IV



"Consecrated Service"

(President's Address)



BESEECH YOU THEREFORE, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."

"And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men."

"Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ."

Since we have enrolled as students of this institution for this school year, the Burke-Wadsworth Conscription Act has necessitated the registration of all the young men of serviceable age for a year of military training. As a Christian church we believe that according to the teachings of our Lord we cannot promote war. But we would rather seek to evade this great destruction of life and property by spreading the doctrines of peace, love, and good-will. The call of service which comes to us is a higher and nobler one. As citizens of the Heavenly Kingdom, we shall seek to give our lives in loyal, consecrated service to our King, Christ Jesus.

If you read biographies you will notice that the one thing, more than any other, that has made men great and wonderful has been the splendid unselfish spirit of service. It was Lincoln who wrote, "Die when I may, I want it said of me, by those who knew me best, that I always plucked a thistle and planted a flower where I thought a flower would grow."

The church has always been looking for those who are willing to give their lives in service for the Lord. It is true "the world has yet to see the possibilities of a life fully yielded to God." Although the road is rough, hard, and long, and days come when everything we attempt seems to fail, let us remember that Jesus has traveled this way and is now at the end of the road with outstretched hands.

To many, however, the church is a kind of fold or shelter. While in it they feel free and safe from the snares and evils of life. Too, there are those who continually look to the church for benefits. Others are in the church because it aids them in their business, or because of the standing it gives them in society. But I think it is a place or avenue for service to the true, devoted Christian. We are not our own. We are bought with a price. We are to be the instruments through which God can radiate His love to a sinful world. God gave the best heaven had for our redemption, so should not we be willing to give our best for His service?

To give our lives in consecrated service means much. It means a dedication of all our human capacities and abilities. It means the dethroning of our own selfish wills and desires. It is a complete submission to the leading of the Holy Spirit. And yet we must be staunch and bold for the right. We dare not flinch under pressure, but with a faith that never despairs let us go forth with a will to win.

In closing may I say to the class: Behind us lies a year of rich and varied experiences. Many no doubt would covet the opportunities we have had. And we wish it to them. What is before us we cannot say. God alone knows. But whatever we meet, in everything and at all times, may our hearts and lives be fully devoted to the Christ of Calvary. And as the call for service comes to us in a definite way, may we lift our eyes heavenward and say with open hearts, we are "For Thy Use, O Lord."

—Landis Martin.



HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS

FRONT ROW: (left to right) L. Hoover, D. Lehman, B. Moyer, P. Hostetter, N. Kraus, L. Eshleman, B. Kraybill, S. Yoder, E. Diller, J. Mark Stauffer (Class Adviser).
 SECOND ROW: J. Brunk, B. Hartman, V. Beiler, L. Beiler, B. May, C. Shoemaker, E. Beiler, D. Hartzler, K. Clemmer.
 THIRD ROW: L. Shank, N. Graybill, E. Miley, G. Gross, V. Simmons, R. McDorman, M. Seitz, E. Ziegler, E. Roth, R. Showalter.
 FOURTH ROW: J. Martin, A. Tice, B. Landis, E. Denlinger, E. Keener, N. Driver, H. Clemens, E. May, A. Keeler, F. Yoder.
 FIFTH ROW: M. Burkholder, L. Risser, N. Weber, R. Brenneman, D. Longenecker, M. Nafziger, A. Sheeler, F. Krupp, E. Landis, K. Fisher.
 SIXTH ROW: R. Martin, D. Miller, D. Yoder, R. Strubhar, P. Weaver, A. Hershberger, L. Brubaker, S. Wenger, M. Sauder, E. Martin.

SPECIAL STUDENTS

L. Batterman, E. Brenneman, L. P. Heishman, J. Fretz, E. Nafziger, C. Hertzler.

Reminiscences



SMILE OF DELIGHT broke across Ellen's face as she sat in the shadow of the great oak, watching the last bits of golden color fade beyond the mountain. Then, as the twilight sifted gently about her, she lightly fingered the soft blue finished dress beside her.

"My baccalaureate dress," she whispered. "How long I have waited for this time; and now just a few more days and I will have worn it."

She lifted her eyes again, and seemingly searched through the misty twilight for the sunset of a moment before; but it was gone. Thoughtfully she mused,

"Oh! will these wonderful years spent at E. M. S. slip so quickly away as did the sunset? Oh, never! I must, I shall, recall them again.

"It was in the fall of 1937 that nineteen shy Freshmen stood bewildered, yes, almost trembling in Room A to register. However we soon became accustomed to school and began to enjoy student life.

"Well I remember the few minutes spent in Room A after Chapel one morning when some members of the Faculty consulted with the Freshmen and Sophomores about having a Literary Society of their very own. I'll never regret our choice of having one, because it was our early training camp for a successful, consecrated life.

"Another high light of that year was the occasion when our sponsor, Sister Kemrer, invited us to make candy. How we hunted for our daintiest aprons! and how immensely satisfied we felt as we tripped gaily home, each with a neatly wrapped package of the candy!

"But the days flew on and on. All too soon we said good-by until the next year.

"The fall of 1938 found eight of the original class present ready to qualify as Sophomores. Twelve new jolly folks enrolled with us making our number twenty. Not many, but enough for another year of good times.

"1939-40! Oh, how time flies! In the fall we again met; but now, there were sixty of us. How eagerly we waited for our first Junior Meeting. Then one day we met. Bro. Gehman was chosen class adviser, Landis Martin, president, and Ruth Hess, secretary.

"Many meetings followed in which we planned for the great Junior-Senior Outing. What a privilege it was to entertain the Seniors. We led them to Shenandoah Retreat. There we took them boating, played games, served refreshments, and conducted a short program. We mingled together, and came back to school with pleasant memories never to be forgotten.

"One delightful evening was spent in Bro. Gehman's home. For entertainment each Junior gave a one-minute speech. After refreshments and prayer circle we left with a new spirit of fellowship. Soon the days slipped by and we had to part.

"A few short months of rest and then back again we came. We were quieter now, more serious, and busier than ever. Class meetings, practices, Journal planning, and project worries, bound us together as never before. Prayer circles spent together, socials, outings, and another evening with Bro. Gehman were milestones in our lives.

"Ah, these memories, rich gems of the past! How they linger! But now only a few more steps till we will face the world. Oh! may we face it with this prayer, 'For Thy Use, O Lord.'"

Ellen arose slowly, and softly she murmured, "O God, may the strength and fellowship of the past spur us on through the future, for Thee." —Ruth Stauffer.



HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES

FRONT ROW: (left to right) A. Histan, L. McDorman, J. Wolgemuth, A. Rohrer (Class Sponsor), V. Vance, M. Wolgemuth, H. Stauffer.

SECOND ROW: J. Weaver, B. Brackbill, L. Wisner, A. Showalter, R. Weber, E. Benner, C. Good, E. Alwine, B. Boyce.

THIRD ROW: E. Good, V. Martin, D. Shenk, D. Mosteller, R. Brunk, G. Suter, C. Barton, P. Livengood, R. Alger.

FOURTH ROW: K. Heatwole, P. Showalter, S. Landis, J. Baer, R. Kramer, M. Stauffer, J. Heatwole, P. Lehman, S. Eshleman.



HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMEN

FRONT ROW: (left to right) J. Watkins, Lois Shank, B. Warner, Lucille Shank, S. Hartzler (Class Sponsor), C. Smith, C. Sollenberger, L. Vance, R. Hartman.

SECOND ROW: M. Turner, M. Brunk, R. Martin, E. Histan, O. Kindy, D. Heatwole, G. Heatwole, B. Kurtz.

THIRD ROW: R. Shenk, R. Alderfer, A. Blosser, A. M. Heatwole, R. Graybill, E. Hostetter, V. Eshleman, N. Burkholder.

FOURTH ROW: E. Suter, R. Ours, M. Lehman, T. Benner, J. Martin, S. Blosser, P. Landis, H. Palmer.

For Thy Use, O Lord

Though much of selfish toil employs the hand,
While restless tens of thousands needy stand,
Yet God, with ear intent and longing eye,
Awaits the humble soul's appealing cry—
For Thy Use, O Lord.

Keen vision views the scene with anxious eye
As sinners groaning, groping, hoping die.
Ripe lies the grain in hoary harvest field,
Awaiting faithful men who sickles wield—
For Thy Use, O Lord.

His call is heard by those with listening ear
Who sense its sound and echo far or near.
They pledge to die; yes, even more, to live
And meet the challenge,—thus themselves to give
For Thy Use, O Lord.

See those with truly ready hearts are moved,
Whose deepest thought or motives He has proved,
Their sacred trust is love which never fails,
And bold through faith believe that grace avails
For Thy Use, O Lord.

Ah, look! A youthful host with patient feet
Stand armoured, fully clothed for service meet.
Such task no honor reaps from mouth or pen,
But still they join the prayer of holy men,
For Thy Use, O Lord.

From bygone victories new duties dawn,
And zeal is stirred by knowing others won.
Young lives arise to face an envious foe;
They forward press nor ever fear to go
For Thy Use, O Lord.

It must be ever true that such as we,
Whom God has given light His plan to see,
Shrink not at any duty great or small,
But lay ourselves upon the altar. All
For Thy Use, O Lord.

We must be true if we the truth would teach;
Keep not the life-line that another soul could reach.
Our prayer is ever,—may our light so shine,
And constant hope of His return our lives refine,—
For Thy Use, O Lord.

—Amanda Shenk.



SPECIAL BIBLE TERM



J. Irvin Lehman—The efficient director of Special Bible Term also serves the School as Field Representative. He serves during Young People's Institute and is much interested in young people and in the welfare of the Church. He is an able teacher and expounder of the Word.—M. J. Brunk.

Special Bible Term

As we view the Special Bible Term of 1941 in retrospect, we recall quite vividly the events of the last few days—examinations, packing, and the good-bys. But as we think of the six weeks as a whole, in the mind of each Special Bible Termer, certain distinct and yet varied impressions have remained.

Some of us planned our stay at E. M. S. weeks before the time, some decided at the last minute, but I am sure all of us have received "gospel" measure in fulfillment of our expectations.

On the first Friday evening everyone gathered in the Dining Hall. The names we listed there were all strange to us then but now we can associate a face with almost every one.

We all want to remember the Mission Meeting, the revivals with Brother Stoner Krady as evangelist, the inspiring week-end of the Christian Life Conference, and the Ministers' Week.

We took part in the local missionary endeavors by assisting at cottage meetings, jail and almshouse services, and by distributing "The Way."

The literary programs, the meals in the Dining Hall, the basket ball games, skating at four o'clock, the Weather Vane, the Y. P. C. A. drive, and the prayer circles are parts of the school life we enjoyed so much.

On three Saturdays groups of students visited Natural Bridge and the caverns and climbed Massanutten Peak.

Milton Brackbill—Though his consecrated abilities are sought churchwide, he is always eager to do something for you. His informal but thought-provoking and inspirational sermons, are shared in a unique brogue and manner which arrest attention from the beginning. The Special Bible Term students, as well as many other young people have found in him a staunch and sympathetic friend. Bro. Brackbill serves the Lord and the Church without apologies.—M. Ruth.





One Saturday evening the Mixed Chorus presented a program. On other evenings we listened to illustrated lectures on Africa and Palestine; we looked at Saturn and the moon through the telescope; we heard essays on nonconformity and orations on nonresistance; and we had the opportunity of visiting the regular literaries.

All these were extra activities. We attended classes during the day and studied hard—usually.

Deserving of mention are the photograph and autograph fans who were looking daily for “victims.”

Above and beyond all this, our faith in God and His Word has been increased, our vision of the world and its need has been widened, and our circle of friends has been enlarged by the many new ones we have made.

We, the Special Bible Term Students of 1941, express our appreciation for what our stay at E. M. S. means to our lives.

—Olive M. Clemens.







ACTIVITIES



Y. P. C. A. CABINET

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The Young People's Christian Association

Chief among the student activities of Eastern Mennonite School is the Young People's Christian Association. Although its work is primarily religious, it provides for the needs of nearly every phase of student life. Its activities reach beyond our walls and touch the far corners of the earth. While it is supervised by our faculty, its activities are student-planned and -conducted.

The Association provides for the social and spiritual nurture of our own group. Get-acquainted meetings, holiday socials, and open house in the dormitories add spice to school routine. Visits to Massanutten Peak, Natural Bridge, or a cavern increase our appreciation of the works of God. In our Friday Morning Devotions we are drawn closer to Him. In Mission Prayer Meeting we enjoy missionary messages and periods of intercession. Each year we have two special mission meetings. We study the great doctrines of the Word in our Young People's Bible Meetings. All these activities are planned to meet the needs of a student group.

The Christian activities of the organization provide us with many opportunities to develop our talents and to give expression to our Christian experience. Regular

services are held in the county prison and in the city and county almshouses. Street meetings are held in Harrisonburg, Elkton, and Grottoes. Cottage meetings are conducted among the shut-ins and the unsaved. Gospel teams render programs at numerous mission stations. During the past summer several teams made survey tours into Gospel-needy communities of Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia, Tennessee, and Kentucky. Tracts are given out in connection with our other work, "The Way" is distributed from house to house, and, working with the Virginia Conference, special tracts are mailed to Jews. These activities provide training in many types of Christian work, opportunities to prepare and deliver Gospel messages, and firsthand experience in soul-winning. Financing the work trains in stewardship and giving.

The Y. P. C. A. is a missionary agency. We desire to lead every non-Christian student to Christ. In every local activity, evangelism is our guiding purpose. By contributing to our missionaries and mission boards, we share in the efforts on our foreign fields.

The Young People's Christian Association has won a lasting place in our lives as students. It has been a source of spiritual blessing, it has provided training and experience in Christian work, and has shown to us opportunities for service wherever we may go.

—Mahlon M. Hess.



Church in Blue Ridge Mountain



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Harrisonburg Mennonite Colored Mission



City and County Jail



MIXED CHORUS

FRONT ROW: (left to right) J. Mark Stauffer, Director: E. Miley, B. Moyer, E. Showalter, V. Moyers, L. Batterman, Elsie Lehman, K. Hostetter, R. Kurtz, V. Grove, E. Brunk, E. Landis, G. Miller, R. Layman, E. Zeigler, R. Byler.

SECOND ROW: R. Brennehan, E. Wenger, R. Eberly, G. Hartman, A. Lehman, C. King, R. Hess, E. Metzler, D. Sell, G. Gross, K. Leatherman, E. Diller, N. Weber, R. Stauffer, R. Brunk.

THIRD ROW: L. Clemmer, J. Shank, I. Rohrer, I. Mast, R. Weber, L. Heishman, M. Kurtz, Esther Lehman, F. Krupp, M. Martin, D. Landis, J. Baer, D. Showalter, N. Yoder.

FOURTH ROW: C. Wenger, H. Hertzler, N. Kraus, B. Kraybill, R. Baer, H. Leaman, F. Yoder, E. Maust, L. Martin, J. Martin, L. Hartzler, P. Showalter, E. Showalter, E. Martin, R. Weaver.

Music at Eastern Mennonite School

Music is one of the important factors at E. M. S.; without it she would be incomplete. Not a day passes in which we do not blend our voices in singing. Music develops the brighter side of life and causes us to forget the shadows. Many burdened hearts have been lightened through singing.

Opportunities for participating in various activities of singing are many. Many students help in singing at the county jail, street meetings, almshouse, and other places of Christian service, where hearts are often moved with the singing of old familiar hymns.

Besides the regular classes in music, Elementary and Advanced Song-leading have been offered this year with classes meeting every Wednesday.

Mixed Chorus, directed by Bro. J. Mark Stauffer, is one of the outstanding features. Here we learn to enjoy the music from many of the famous composers and a vast store of other good music. We have learned to a greater extent, to ap-

praise the Russian Church music and the church music from past centuries. "The Holy City" by Gaul is sung the first week after Easter with former chorus members participating. At such times our thoughts are turned heavenward as we think of the time when we shall sing a new song with the saints in glory. The programs are not to display talent but to lead people in worship through song.

—Geraldine Hartman.

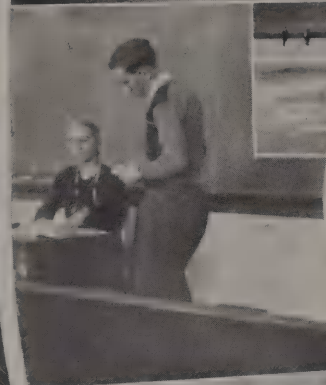


Ladies' Chorus



Men's Chorus







Smithsonians

The Literary Societies

The week is not complete without a bit of recreation on Friday evening after five days of hard study. We all look forward to literary with eager anticipation and leave it with happy memories.

Our literaries are educational, they provide wholesome entertainment, and are a means of developing the talents that will be useful in later life. Each society aims to assist the student to be at ease on the floor, to be original in his thinking, and to write and speak well.

The programs are interesting and center in many worth-while subjects, such as "Nature," "Roadside Advertising," "Music," "Philosophy," and "Parliamentary Law." Impromptu programs spring surprises on us. With music as a predominating feature, we listen to readings, debates, orations, essays, original stories, and conversational duets. Each member contributes something to make the program a success.

Six literary societies have been organized. College students are members of the Smithsonian Society; High School, and High School Bible Juniors and Seniors may belong to either the Philomathean or Armerian Society; and High School Freshmen and Sophomores are members of the Adelphean Society. Special Bible term students have two societies, the Mennovian and Berean.

We Seniors desire to express our appreciation for the training we have received in literary activity and want to encourage the students who follow to make the best use of the opportunities afforded by literary societies.

—Kathryn E. Hostetter.



Armerians



Philomatheans

Adelphians





Societies

Astral, Avian, Nature, Scriblerus—these activities have provided many happy and profitable hours of helpful entertainment for Juniors and Seniors outside of the classroom. Their educational and recreational programs add zest to the day's routine.

Star gazes bring the stars into real intimacy. As we think of the planets in their orbits, the magnitude of the expanse of the universe, and the marvelous co-ordination of the heavenly bodies, we are drawn to worship the Creator of them all.

Ardent Avians mingle with the birds of field and woodland, learning their songs and observing their varied traits and habits. Programs in the Aviary give an added appreciation of these valuable songster-friends of ours. Nature lovers return from hikes laden with rocks, plants, and creeping things for their collections. By climbing over rocks, poking into nooks and corners, and visiting various natural phenomena, they constantly and delightedly add to their store of knowledge secrets of nature.

Finally, one who is intensely interested in writing will most likely be found meeting with fellow Scriblerians in the "Astralaboratory." Here fact and fancy in prose and poetry hold sway, giving members an opportunity to "air" their talents for writing, and to receive helpful criticisms for the improvement of their productions.

These things can be fully appreciated only by enthusiastic participation. We invite you to "come and see."

—Harry Hertzler.



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